JUL 1 5 1967

U.S. Can't Find Justification For Liberty Attack

Washington, July 14 (R) — The United States has had no adequate justification from Israel for the attack on the U.S.S. Liberty, Dean Rusk, Seeretary of State told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today.

The secretary said the United States would file damage claims against Israel as a result of the deaths, injuries and damage eaused.

The attack on the communications ship by Israeli torpedo boats and aircraft off the Egyptian coast June 8 caused the deaths of 34 sailors. More than 70 others were injured.

Rusk said the Israeli investigation of the incident was continuing. He told the committee the government of Israel was not satisifed with the results of its first inquiry into the causes.